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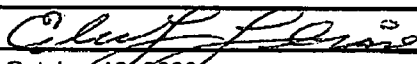
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	Art Unit	1794
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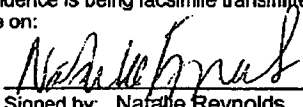
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**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Previously Amended) The article of claim 49, wherein said first frozen pellets further comprise a cream fluid.
3. (Previously Amended) The article of claim 49, wherein the combined amount of said cream fluid and said milk fluid is from about 62% to about 90% by weight of said first frozen pellets.
4. (Original) The article of claim 3, wherein the combined amount of said cream fluid and said milk fluid is from about 80% to about 87% by weight of said first frozen pellets.